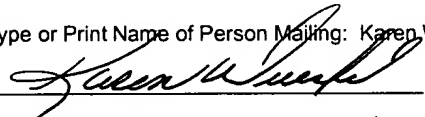




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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action, dated April 11, 2006, please amend the application
as follows: